

San Bernardino County
Workforce Investment Board
Special Meeting

MINUTES

Wednesday, March 25, 2015

1) Opening

- a) Chair Tony Myrell called the meeting to order at 12:09 p.m. Tony Myrell gave a greeting and Phil Cothran led members in the pledge of allegiance. Members introduced themselves and Kristi Sandberg noted attendance.

Members Present

Tony Myrell
Lowell King
Kristine Scott
B.J. Patterson
Terry Klenske
Ray Gonzalez
Eric Cooper
Lance Bauer
John Gauthier
Peggy Long
Gabe Villarreal
Gary Watson
Ken Boshart
Dan Nackerman
Steve Lantsberger
Jonathan Weldy
William Sterling
Audrey Mathews
Phil Cothran
Jennifer Silvestri
Henry Shannon

Members Excused

Bob Lemley
Suzanne Schaeffer
Patricia Nickols
Mike Gallo
Dale Marsden
Rod Hoover
Susan Senior
Joseph Williams

Other Absences

Larry Flood
Lionel Chadwick
Aaron Baker
Wilfred Marshall
Carl Mendenhall
Frank Benson
Richard Sierra

Members Unexcused

Jose de la Cerra
Richard Edwards

Staff Present

Sandy Harmsen
Brad Gates
Kristi Sandberg

Sophie Akins
Larry Vaupel

Miguel McQueen
Fred Burks
Brad Gates
Fred Moll
Wendy Ponce
Curtis Compton
DaVena Green

Jeff Critchley

b) Success Stories:

- i) Business- DaVena Green introduced Mitchica McNeair from Total Commitment Consulting Services. TCC Services utilizes OJT to train AB109 and foster care population and trains them and helps them become employable. Mitchica shared how the WIB services have helped their business as well as the community. TCC goes into group homes and works with the individuals in their living environment.
- ii) Client- Wendy Ponce introduced Katina Frias. Katina shared how WDD has helped her with tools and support in obtaining new employment at Lake Arrowhead Resort even as a felony probationer. Katina is now up for an OJT position which would include a raise and more permanent status.
- iii) Cathy Toole from Chino Unified introduced Autumn Downs. Autumn shared her experiences that led to using the WIA Youth Services provided at Chino Unified.
- iv) Youth-
- 2) Consent Items- Motion to approve Items 2a- Minutes of February 4, 2015 Meeting and Item 2b- Approve Amendment No. 1 to Agreement No. 12-429 with J. McLeish Public Relations, Inc. for Professional Communication and Media Coordination Services for the period from July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 by Lowell King. Terry Klenske abstained from 2a. Steve

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Lantsberger asked about \$180 in Item 2b and it was answered that the total amount is “not to exceed”. Motion approved.

3) Discussion Items

Phil Cothran led nomination discussion and presented that Nomination Ad Hoc committee recommends keeping current slate of officers of Tony Myrell as Chair, Audrey Mathews as Vice-Chair and William Sterling as Treasurer throughout the transition period from WIA to WIOA. Steve Lantsberger asked about the reappointment process for the new board under WIOA which is slotted to begin on July 1, 2015. Sandy Harmsen explained how DOL has delayed their information about WIOA regulations and it is anticipated that the state will put out their regulations around July/August. During this transition as long as the current board meets WIOA regulations then the current board can continue acting. Sandy explained that we are looking at potentially establishing a new WIOA board during the first Quarter of the Federal Fiscal Year which would be Fall 2015. Terry Klenske moved to accept slate of nominees as presented. Motion approved.

4) Information Items

a) Special Presentation by Jessica McLeish of McLeish PR (powerpoint).

Mediasourcelink.com contains press releases and new stories.

b) Committee Reports

i) Fiscal/Contracts by William Sterling: WIB Budget meeting on April 8 from 2-4pm

ii) Legislative by Audrey Mathews: No new updates

iii) Business Resource by Phil Cothran: No new updates

iv) Youth Council by Lowell King: Updated about Youth Council Ad Hoc meeting as they are in the middle of the RFP process. On February 26 all the Youth Providers gave brief presentations about their individual organizations. In April the Ad Hoc will meet to review the RFPs and make funding recommendations.

c) County Report by Sandy Harmsen

i) Thanked staff and board members for their hard work and dedication.

ii) Updated about the CWA board meeting from last week- “85% of WIOA is WIA and we mean it this time”.

iii) Our WIB has met criteria and our application for recertification has been submitted to the state for redesignation and should receive a response mid-May.

iv) Update on Slingshot and progress of initiative. There was a stakeholder meeting on March 16 and it was productive.

v) Update on CWA Day at the Capitol. During that event visited nine legislators in Sacramento in order to educate about WIOA. Members shared their experiences of meeting with the new legislators.

vi) NAWB coming up at end of March in Washington DC and will also be conducting meetings with legislators.

vii) CWA Youth Conference in January. Some staff gave presentations during the conference.

viii) WIOA – the most important thing to talk about is “to maintain local control”

ix) Ken Boshart asked about a budget question about staffing and Sandy replied that “we are expecting level funding” and are staffing to the functional needs based upon work flow.

5) Public Comments-none

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6) Adjournment

- a) Motion to adjourn meeting at 1:17 p.m. by William Sterling. Motion carried. The next WIB General Membership meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 27, 2015 at 12:00 p.m. in the WDD Administration building located at 215 N D Street in San Bernardino.

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